

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yutaka HASEGAWA, et al.

GAU:

SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION

EXAMINER:

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FOR: SPECIFIC DOCUMENT DETERMINING APPARATUS, IMAGE READING APPARATUS, SPECIFIC DOCUMENT DETERMINING METHOD, AND A COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM WITH A PROGRAM FOR EXECUTION OF THE METHOD STORED THEREIN, IMAGE READING APPARATUS HAVING A SPECIFIC DOCUMENT...

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

☒ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/408,127, filed 9/29/99, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.

☐ Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e):

Application No.

Date Filed

☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
JAPAN	8-284396	October 25, 1996
JAPAN	8-284397	October 25, 1996
JAPAN	8-289894	October 31, 1996
JAPAN	8-289895	October 31, 1996
JAPAN	8-294194	November 6, 1996

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

☐ are submitted herewith

☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee

☒ were filed in prior application Serial No. 08/957,737 filed October 24, 1997.

☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number

Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.

☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and

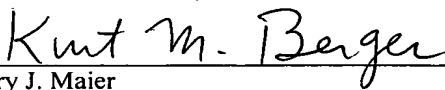
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